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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION WITH RESPECT TO NOTICE DATED 11 JUNE 2008 REGARDING POWER OF ATTORNEY

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With respect to the Notice dated 11 June 2008, stating that "the Power of Attorney filed 05/12/2008... is not accepted" because "[t]he Request for Withdrawal of Attorney or Agent does not properly identify the attorney(s)/agent(s) to be withdrawn", Patentee's undersigned representative hereby requests reconsideration of the stated decision based on the following:

- 1. The document filed on 05/12/2008 was <u>not</u> a "Request For Withdrawal", but rather was a "Status Inquiry Regarding Request For Withdrawal As Attorney Filed on 13 July 2007".
- 2. Patentee's undersigned representative filed the Status Inquiry in May 2008 because almost ten (10) months had passed without action from the Patent Office with respect to the "Request For Withdrawal" filed in July 2007.
- 3. The actual "Request For Withdrawal" filed on 13 July 2007 included, in the first paragraph thereof, a listing of every attorney/agent associated with Patentee's representative law firm of record, Carrier, Blackman & Associates, P.C. (Patent Office Customer Number 21828), as of the date of said "Request For Withdrawal".

The first paragraph listing of every attorney/agent associated with Patentee's representative law firm includes the two registered patent attorneys specifically named on the original Declaration And Power Of Attorney filed with the utility patent application on 26 August 2003, as well as the patent agent added to Customer Number 21828 in October 2006.

A second patent agent <u>currently</u> associated with Customer Number 21828 was not listed in the July 2007 "Request For Withdrawal" because said agent did not join the law firm until seven months after the "Request For Withdrawal" was filed.

A copy of said July 2007 "Request For Withdrawal" was attached to the May 2008 Status Inquiry as Exhibit A. A copy of the return receipt postcard from the Patent Office, acknowledging receipt of the "Request For Withdrawal" on 13 July 2007, was also attached to the Status Inquiry as Exhibit B. The May 2008 Status Inquiry, as well as its Exhibits A and B, are viewable through the Patent Office's online PAIR system, so no additional copies are provided herewith, to prevent further confusion.

Patentee's undersigned representative, therefore, respectfully requests that the Patent Office once again examine Exhibit A and Exhibit B, filed with the May 2008 Status Inquiry, and finally grant the "Request For Withdrawal" filed on 13 July 2007, for the reason that it is believed that the "Request For Withdrawal" filed on 13 July 2007 complied with all requirements for a Request For Withdrawal filed by Patentee's undersigned representative on that date.

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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